

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Page 1, Replace the title with --METHOD OF PRODUCING A SPUTTERING TARGET--.

Page 1, between the title and "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" insert the following:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

--This application is a continuation of application No. 09/956,637 filed September 19, 2001 (now allowed), which is a division of application No. 08/979,293 filed November 26, 1997 (now U.S. patent No. 6,319,368), which is a division of application Serial No. 08/622,681 filed March 26, 1996 (now U.S. patent No. 5,736,657).--